

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions and listings of claims in the application:

LISTING OF CLAIMS:

1. (Original) Attachment means for attaching a conductor to a hearing aid having a hearing aid housing with a hearing aid housing wall, said attachment means being adapted to be located partially in said hearing aid housing wall, so as to have a first part located in said hearing aid housing wall and a second part protruding through an aperture in said hearing aid housing wall.

2. (Original) Attachment means according to claim 1, wherein said first part comprises means for interlocking with the hearing aid housing in an assembled state thereof.

3. (Original) Attachment means according to claim 1, wherein said first part comprises means for interlocking with the hearing aid housing and a carrier for electronics in the hearing aid in an assembled state thereof.

4. (Currently Amended) Attachment means according to ~~any one of the preceding claims~~ claim 1, wherein said second part is generally cylindrical and comprises a thread.

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5. (Currently Amended) Attachment means according to ~~any one of claims 1 to 3~~
claim 1, wherein said second part comprises a catch means.

6. (Original) Attachment means according to claim 5, wherein said catch means comprises a barb.

7. (Original) Attachment means according to claim 6, wherein said barb is circumferential.

8. (Original) A hearing aid housing for a BTE hearing aid, said housing comprising a housing wall and an attachment means for attaching a conductor, said attachment means comprising an attachment means located partially in said hearing aid housing wall, so as to have a first part located in said housing wall and a second part protruding through an aperture in said hearing aid housing wall.

9. (Original) A hearing aid housing according to claim 8, wherein said hearing aid housing wall comprises means for interlocking with said attachment means.

10. (Currently Amended) A hearing aid housing according to ~~any one of claims 8 or 9~~
claim 8, wherein said means for interlocking with said attachment means comprises a recess formed in said housing wall.

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11. (Original) A hearing aid housing according to claim 8, wherein said attachment means comprises means for interlocking with said housing wall and a carrier for electronics in the hearing aid.

12. (Original) A BTE hearing aid comprising a hearing aid housing with a housing wall and an attachment means for attaching a conductor, said attachment means comprising an interchangeable part having a first and a second part, said second part protruding from said hearing aid housing through an aperture in said housing wall.

13. (Original) A BTE hearing aid according to claim 12, wherein said hearing aid and said attachment means comprise mutually interlocking means.

14. (Original) A BTE hearing aid according to claim 13, wherein said second part of said interchangeable part comprises a generally cylindrical surface with an external thread.

15. (Original) A BTE hearing aid according to claim 13, wherein said second part of said interchangeable part comprises a generally cylindrical surface with at least one catch means.

16. (Original) A BTE hearing aid according to claim 14, wherein said catch means comprises a barb.

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17. (Original) A BTE hearing aid according to claim 16, wherein said barb is a circumferential barb.

18. (Currently Amended) A BTE hearing aid according to ~~any one of claims 16 or 17~~, wherein said barb is located at the distal end of said second part.

19. (Original) A locking means for securing a conductor to an attachment means of a hearing aid having a hearing aid housing, said locking means comprising a barb provided on said attachment means, and said locking means comprising an annular member adapted to be placed around said tube at a location registering with said barb.

20. (Original) A locking means according to claim 19, wherein said annular member comprises at least one internal recess adapted to register with said barb.

21. (Original) A locking means according to claim 20 wherein said internal recess is a circumferential groove.